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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 3710**

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Bryan G. Hughes
Application No. : 10/072,846
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Examiner : Kim T. Nguyen
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Commissioner for Patents
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Commissioner for Patents:

This is a Response to the Office Action mailed December 15, 2005, in which a three (3) month Shortened Statutory Period for Response has been set, due to expire March 15, 2005. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and our check to cover the fee for a two-month extension of time, to May 15, 2005. The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees due by way of this Response, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-1090. One hundred thirty-four (134) claims, including ten (10) independent claims, were paid for in the application. Claims 1-134 were previously canceled, and claims 135-156 were previously added. Claims 135-156 are pending.